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It is also reported that during the past 2 months, many young men living in the areas south of Yangtze River have been disappearing mysteriously. It is believed that these men are being abducted by the Communist authorities and sent to the USSR for forced labor.

THIRD GROUP OF HAINAN TROOPS REACHES CANTON -- Hong Kong Kung-shang Jih-pao, 12 Jul 50

Canton, 11 July -- The third group of the Communist troops which participated in the Hainan operations reached Canton from Hainan on 11 July 1950. After a few days rest, they are scheduled to entrain for Hankow.

SETS UP MILITIA FOR LOCAL DEFENSE -- Hong Kong Kung-shang Jih-pao, 17 Jul 50

Canton, 16 July -- The transfer of the CCF Fourth Field Army to the north has weakened the defense of Kwangtung. As a result, bandit activities are again on the rise. To counteract this situation, the Communist authorities are forming local militia to preserve peace and order.

The local militia have been placed under the command of the local governments, which charged with the responsibility of recruiting able-bodied men to join the unit. Farmers' delegates conferences are now being called in the various areas to support this movement. Arms for these civilian components are to be solicited mainly from the local population.

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